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## A WORD FROM THE EDITOR.

Notwithstanding the dictum of Oliver Wendell Holmes, no one can read the newspapers without being satisfied that modesty is the great distinguishing characteristic of all those connected with journalism. The editor of THE CITIZEN, therefore, being made aware of the fact that many of its readers attribute to his pen the whole contents of every issue of the paper, hastens to disclaim the credit for the ubiquity, tireless energy, wit, and literary capacity which this opinion presupposes. This attributing all the good things which appear in THE CITIZEN to its editor not only gives him undue credit, but is unjust to his able coadjutors in the cause of local journalism. And furthermore it may, if continued, cause heart-burning and discontent in our office. That solemn mien of the chief of our reportorial staff, so familiar to many, may have been caused by the rank injustice done him by the Bloomfield public. That journalistic characteristic which we have above alluded to has doubtless prevented him from claiming the authorship of many brilliant, albeit somewhat sarcastic, literary productions.

And then again, we have correspondents as well as reporters who have a very pretty wit and bubble over with bright ideas. But just like the reporters, their modesty grows apace the moment they touch journalism, even with the tips of their fingers; and the only way we can gain possession of the product of their brains is by a pledge of inviolable secrecy. So sensitive are some that they even object to a couple of stars at the end of a communication, which might by some remotest possibility direct the inquiring reader their way.

Now, the editor has not the slightest objection to keeping from the Dear Public the names of the writers of the many articles which appear in THE CITIZEN; but he wishes his dear friends and the others to understand that he cannot, now that he appreciates the situation, even by his silence, seem to be meanly crowning himself with the laurels of others. Honor to whom honor is due.

And now, while we are taking the public into our confidence, we might let it be known that the editor does not read every line that appears in THE CITIZEN before it appears in print. But on the contrary, the greater portion of the matter appearing in each issue is seen by our readers before it is read by the editor. Perhaps the editor should do more work on the paper, but his associates are so able and so diligent, there is no need.

**Young Men's Christian Association.**  
A meeting of representative citizens of the town was held at Mr. Edward G. Ward's residence on Beach Street last Friday evening. The meeting was in the interest of the Young Men's Christian Association. A full and free discussion of the affairs of the Association was entered into, and the general sentiment seemed to be that the Association ought to be maintained and helped, and a willingness to contribute money to that end was manifested. The result of the conference was highly satisfactory to the friends of the Association.

The Association is pressed for room. The privileges afforded for gymnastic exercises are proving a great attraction to the boys, and they are attending in larger numbers than can be accommodated. The second floor of the building now occupied has been rented and will be fitted up as an amusement room. The first floor will be devoted entirely to reading-room purposes. The managers are looking for a suitable man to act as permanent superintendent.

**German Theological Seminary.**  
At the meeting of the Newark Presbytery in the Wyckoff Street Church on Tuesday, President Dr. Charles E. Knox of the German Theological Seminary presented the annual report of the Institution. There are fifty students at the Seminary. The endowment and invested funds amount to \$67,219.18. The receipts for the year were \$9,310.54, and the expenditures \$10,352.13.

The Rev. Emanuel Cassanovitch, who left the Seminary to enter the Roman Catholic Church, and subsequently left that Church, was reinstated as a member of the Presbytery.

Visiting Knights of Pythias.  
Benevolent Lodge, K. of P., of Passaic paid a fraternal visit to Eureka Lodge, K. of P., on Tuesday evening and worked the rank in a very efficient manner. The rank of Page was conferred on one candidate. After the ranks had been conferred the lodge with their visitors adjourned to the Bloomfield Hotel, where one of Leuthausser's best suppers was served. The visitors returned home at a late hour well pleased with their visit to Bloomfield.

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR.

## Temperance.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE CITIZEN:  
SIR: It is impossible to read and listen to the arguments and exhortations in connection with the present movement in our town against the traffic in and use of stimulating liquors impartially, without coming to the conclusion that a great part of what is said and done by the good people who lead the movement is anything rather than temperate. After all that has been said and done, let us see if there is not a root to this noxious weed which has not been struck at.

Supposing every respectable parent in this town were to start right in to see how pleasant they can make home for their children. How far they can go in always being patient and even-tempered! Let each Christian mother and father, by word, thought, and practice, teach that the great secret of happiness lies in so adjusting our desires and wants and our demands on others as to cause them the greatest possible happiness with the least possible annoyance.

A very good old man who was a great lover of tobacco was asked to account for the fact that of his three married sons none were known to use tobacco. "Well," said he, "you see, I never smoke without first asking those present if it is disagreeable to them or not. I have always taught my children to have a great consideration for others, and never to indulge themselves in an enjoyment to the great discomfort of those about them; and as each of my sons married ladies to whom the odor of tobacco was very disagreeable, they applied the principle of Christian self-denial, which I have preached and preached all my life before them, and gave up their cigars."

Now, if all parents were to train their children in the practice of this great Christian virtue of quiet, unostentatious self-denial, how much necessity would there be in ten years from now for prohibition agitators such as we have so many at present with so very little good result?  
J. FELIX.  
Bloomfield, May 11.

## Resolutions of Regret.

The following resolutions were passed at the annual meeting of the Board of Managers of the Bloomfield Savings Institution, held May 10, 1892: Whereas, It has pleased almighty God to remove from our midst one of the most valued members of this Board in the person of our departed friend, Thomas C. Dodd, one of the original charter members of this Institution; therefore, be it

Resolved, by the Board of Managers of the Bloomfield Savings Institution, That it is due to his untiring zeal and devotion in its early formation and his unrewarded labor for years in its interests that so broad and deep a foundation has been laid for the present prosperity and future growth of the Institution; that while for several years past, owing to the nature of his illness, it has been impossible for him to take an active part in the administration of its affairs, his wise counsel and conservative judgment have been of great value to us; that while regretting his removal from us by death, we cannot but feel that our loss is his gain and that the success of the Institution is an existing evidence of his wise foresight and an enduring monument to his memory;

Resolved, That these resolutions be spread upon the minutes and a copy of them published in the local papers and sent to his family.

**Army of the Potomac.**  
The Army of the Potomac will meet in Scranton on June 15 and 16. From present indications, it will be the largest reunion in many years. Scranton is making generous preparations to give the veterans a cordial welcome. Rev. John R. Paxton, D. D., who carried a musket in the war of the rebellion, will be the orator and William H. McElroy of the New York Tribune the poet.

Under the constitution of the Society, every officer and enlisted man who has at any time served with honor in any of the armies which did duty east of the Alleghany Mountains, and has been honorably discharged therefrom, or remains in the service in the regular army, is entitled to membership.

As stated in the constitution: "The object of this Society shall be to cherish the memories and associations of the Army of the Potomac; to strengthen the ties of fraternal fellowship and sympathy formed from comradeship in that Army; to perpetuate the name and fame of those who have fallen either on the field of battle or in the line of duty with that Army; to collect and preserve the record of its great achievements, its numerous and well-contested battles, its campaigns, marches and skirmishes."

The initiation fee is \$1 and the annual dues \$1. The presence of President Harrison, Secretary of the Mary Tracy, and other members of the Cabinet, is confidently expected, and others who will be present include Gens. Doubleday, Howard, Sickles, Butterfield, Fitz-John Porter, Conner, Pratt, McMahon, Horace Porter, Sharpe, Parke, Vezey, Fairchild, Webb, Chamberlain, Newton, Robinson, Alger, and the Hon. Chauncey M. Depew. The Grand Army of the Republic will turn out in force. The present officers of the Society are Gen. Daniel Butterfield, President; Gen. Haratio C. King, Recording Secretary; Col. Samuel Truesdell, Treasurer; and Gen. George H. Sharpe, Corresponding Secretary, with headquarters in New York City.

The name of Selover the jeweler and diamond dealer is familiar to many people in this town. They will be pleased to learn that Mr. Selover has moved his headquarters in the new Prudential building, making his place more accessible to his Bloomfield and Montclair patrons. A grand opening of his new store will take place on Monday, the 16th inst., and Mr. Selover extends an invitation to his Bloomfield friends to call and inspect his handsome new store, No. 7 Prudential Building. He prides himself on the fact that he has one of the finest business places in the city. His display of diamonds, jewelry, and silverware is excelled by no other house in Newark. Do not forget the grand opening, Monday, May 16.

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## Watseessing Notes.

A surprise party was tendered Mrs. John Edgerley on Friday night of last week.

A very pleasant social was held at the M. E. Church parsonage on Lawrence Street last Monday night.

Mrs. Thomas Smith and family returned to their home in Newburgh last Monday, after a week's visit in Watseessing.

William Ellor and his son James Edwin Ellor, with his wife, will sail for England on a State Line steamer next Thursday.

A party of Watseessing people will make an excursion to Sullivan County, N. Y., on the Saturday preceding Decoration Day.

The Rev. T. H. Cocroft of the Church of the Messiah, Providence, R. I., occupied the pulpit of St. Paul's P. E. Church last Sunday.

Joseph Lee has received his equipment as First Assistant Engineer of the East Orange Fire Department. A tapper will be put in Mr. Lee's house.

James Albion, who built the handsome residence of Augustus Lawrence on Dodd Street, is building a house for Frank W. Lawrence on Harlow Street.

The Rev. Elbert Clement preached in the Roseville Methodist Church last Sunday evening. Presiding Elder Van Benschoten occupied Mr. Clement's pulpit in the Watseessing M. E. Church.

The regular monthly meeting of the Watseessing Free Public Library Association was held on Wednesday night. A gift of books from Mr. Urner was acknowledged with thanks to the donor.

The pool tournament that has been going on among the members of the Watseessing Field Club for several weeks past is drawing to a close. James Wilson of East Orange and Charles Hill of Watseessing are tied for first place. The club is arranging for a bazaar to be held in midsummer.

First Assistant Engineer Allen Andrew, who is a member of Active Hose Company, was presented with a handsome fireman's hat and belt last week by his associates, Frank Foster and William Ellor were the Presentative Committee. Mr. Andrews is very much pleased with the testimony of esteem and good will of the members of the Company.

Donations of articles for the Watseessing M. E. Church Fair are being solicited. Every body is asked to contribute. Useful, fancy, and ornamental articles will be thankfully received. The ladies desire to realize enough money from the fair to clear off the debt on the church lot. It is hoped that every body in the locality will interest themselves in the fair. A new church edifice will be a material benefit to all.

A pleasant home wedding took place on Wednesday evening at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. William P. Travis on Carteret Avenue, when their daughter, Emma and Joseph Weden were married by the Rev. Elbert Clement of the Watseessing M. E. Church. Charles Weden, brother of the groom, was best man, and Miss Alice Travis, sister of the bride, was bridesmaid. The ceremony was witnessed by a large number of relatives and friends. Many presents were received.

The annual meeting of Prospect Hose Company, No. 4, of East Orange was held on Monday night. A. F. Quimby was elected President of the organization; Walter Madison, Vice-President; Howard Phillips, Secretary; Joseph Lee, Treasurer; William Irwin, Foreman; and Louis Smith, Assistant Foreman.

Joseph Lee, who has been appointed First Assistant Engineer of the East Orange Fire Department, was presented with a handsome fireman's hat by the members of Prospect Hose.

**Grand Council, Royal Arcanum.**  
The tenth annual meeting of the Grand Council of New Jersey, Royal Arcanum, was held in Newark on Tuesday. Under the administration of Grand Regent C. E. McDowell, the Royal Arcanum has had a very prosperous year. The statistical reports showed that there had been a net increase of 1,143 in membership in the State during the year, 74 of the 77 Councils showing substantial gains. The total membership in the State, March 31, when the Grand Council year closed, was 8,168; 58 members in the State have died during the year, their beneficiaries receiving an aggregate of \$174,000 in benefits. The Councils enjoyed a banquet at Davis's new dining hall during the noon recess, one hundred members being seated at the table. The plans for all classes of edifices designed with accuracy, economy and promptness, rates reasonable.

**Essex H. & L. Co. Meeting.**  
The regular monthly meeting of Essex Hook and Ladder Company was held at the Truck House on Tuesday night. The resignations of W. W. Schouler and S. B. Harrison from active membership in the company were received and accepted. Charles T. Coggeshall was elected an active member. A committee was appointed to furnish an entertainment to be given on the occasion of the annual meeting of the company on June 14. A committee was also appointed to see what arrangements could be made for an excursion, and to report at a special meeting to be held in the future. The following ticket was nominated to be balloted for at the annual meeting: President, Dr. W. H. Van Gieson; Vice-President, George B. Smith; Secretary, W. R. Moir; Treasurer, C. H. Johnson; Foreman, E. D. Ackerman; Assistant Foreman, William U. Oakes; Clerk, George S. Reford; Chaplain, the Rev. Dr. H. W. Ballantine; Trustees, W. L. Johnson, F. G. Tower, J. Howard Hardcastle, and Lewis Dawkins.

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